(b) Transcribe the following sentences.

(i) Hello Priya.

(ii) Hey Reshmi. What are you doing in Bangalore.

(iii) Came for an interview.

(iv) Oh wow! All the very best.

(v) Thank you so much my dear.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. What is language? What sets it apart from other kinds of communication?

17. Attempt to enumerate the characteristics of phonetics and the need to study the same.

18. Describe the articulatory system and its components.

19. Prepare a brief essay on the syllable as an important of pronunciation. Distinguish between the different types of syllables.

20. Write a short conversation with a minimum of ten exchanges between a father and son where the son is asking for permission to go on the class tour.

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FEN32/CEN32 — INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH PHONETICS

Time : Three hours Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. What is cultural transmission?
2. List the four stages of language development in children.
3. Define allophone.
4. Name the branches of phonetics.
5. Recall the basic classification of vowels in English.
6. Explain the role of the vocal cords in sound production.
7. Write the syllabic structure of the following words.

   (a) sew

   (b) climb
8. Label the three parts of the syllable CVC.
9. Give two examples of bilabial plosives.

10. Transcribe the following words

(a) mother

(b) tour

(c) tuition

(d) individual

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

11. (a) Distinguish between arbitrariness and duality. Support your answer with examples.

Or

(b) Prepare a conversation between a teacher and student when they meet at a restaurant. Use at least five exchanges.

12. (a) Elaborate upon the following terms.

(i) elision

(ii) assimilation

(iii) linking

Or

(b) Write a brief note on stress and the various kinds of stress.

13. (a) Differentiate between the production of vowels and consonants. Provide examples.

Or

(b) Describe the phonatory system.

14. (a) Elaborate syllable and syllabic structure.

Or

(b) Elucidate the following terms.

(i) Consonant clusters

(ii) word accent

(iii) onset

15. (a) Provide three part labels for the following sounds

(i) /t ʃ /

(ii) /m/

(iii) /d/

(iv) /z/

(v) /h/

Or

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